

REMARKS

In an Office Action dated January 6, 2011, claims 23 and 24 were objected to as being of improper dependent form. Claims 1, 3-9, 45, and 55-56 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Luschi et al. (U.S. patent application publication no. 2003/0045288, hereinafter referred to as “Luschi”) in view of Kadaba et al. (U.S. patent no. 7,158,504, hereinafter referred to as “Kadaba”) and claims 41-42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadaba in view of Gopalakrishnan et al. (U.S. patent no. 6,836,666, hereinafter referred to as “Gopalakrishnan”). Claims 43 and 57-59 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 11-12, 14-21, 23-34, 36-40, 46-48, 50, and 60-63 were allowed.

In an amendment filed on April 6, 2011, the applicants amended the pending claims so as to put the application in condition for allowance. However, in doing so the applicants inadvertently canceled allowed claims 29-34 and 36-40. The applicants are now adding new claims 64-74, which correspond to the canceled, and previously allowed, claims 29-34 and 36-40.

No amendment made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated herein; and no amendment made was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless the applicants have argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references. As the applicant has overcome all substantive rejections and objections given by the Examiner and have complied with all requests properly presented by the Examiner, the applicant contends that this Amendment, with the above discussion, overcomes the Examiner’s objections to and rejections of the pending claims. Therefore, the applicant respectfully solicits allowance of the application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that any issues regarding the status of the claims remain after this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative to expedite resolution of the matter. Furthermore, please charge any additional fees (including any extension of time fees), if any are due, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 505278.

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